2024 Florida Youth Substance Abuse Survey

Gadsden County Data Tables

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	Gadsde	en County	Florida S	Statewide
	Ν	%	Ν	%
Sex				
Female	254	50.9	21,747	48.6
Male	237	47.5	22,711	50.7
Race/Ethnic group				
African American	278	55.7	9,493	21.2
American Indian	6	1.2	426	1.0
Asian	1	0.2	653	1.5
Hispanic/Latino	154	30.9	10,394	23.2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1	0.2	41	0.1
Other/Multiple	40	8.0	7,299	16.3
White, non-Hispanic	16	3.2	16,109	36.0
Parent/Guardian in the Military				
No	432	86.6	38,723	86.5
Yes	61	12.2	5,679	12.7
Age				
11	20	4.0	2,499	5.6
12	69	13.8	5,938	13.3
13	97	19.4	6,288	14.0
14	96	19.2	6,501	14.5
15	76	15.2	6,784	15.2
16	64	12.8	6,743	15.1
17	50	10.0	6,358	14.2
18	22	4.4	3,252	7.3
Grade				
6th	65	13.0	6,126	13.7
7th	106	21.2	6,468	14.5
8th	106	21.2	6,341	14.2
9th	71	14.2	6,696	15.0
10th	63	12.6	6,738	15.1
11th	64	12.8	6,266	14.0
12th	24	4.8	6,121	13.7
Middle School	277	55.5	18,934	42.3
High School	222	44.5	25,821	57.7
Total	499	100.0	44,755	100.0

Table 1. Major demographic characteristics of surveyed Gadsden County and Florida Statewide, 2024

Note: Some categories do not sum to 100% of the total due to missing values (e.g., not all survey questions were answered) or categories with very few responses were omitted. In addition, rounding can produce totals that do not equal 100%. "N" represents the number of valid cases. In this table, county data are unweighted while statewide data are weighted.

Table 2. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported having used various substances in their lifetimes, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
Alcohol	22.4	30.6	33.4	20.5	24.4	29.1	26.7	19.3	32.5	30.5	23.5	19.8	32.4	26.9
Blacking Out		8.1	10.5	5.7		7.8			9.1	10.3	8.0		9.2	
Cigarettes	8.7	6.5	9.7	5.5	8.4	6.9	7.6	4.4	7.7	6.4	6.2	4.3	7.9	6.3
Vaping Nicotine	16.1	16.2	20.7	11.8	16.1	16.7	16.1	10.9	20.1	20.2	12.4	11.3	20.4	16.2
Vaping Marijuana	9.5	15.8	15.7	10.1	9.2	15.8	12.8	5.5	16.3	14.4	9.2	5.9	16.5	11.7
Marijuana or Hashish	9.0	18.5	17.0	11.2	9.8	18.8	13.9	5.9	18.6	15.3	11.2	6.3	18.8	13.2
Synthetic Marijuana		2.7	1.2	4.5		3.3			1.9	2.4	1.5		1.9	
Inhalants	4.2	4.8	5.1	3.9	4.7	3.7	4.5	6.9	3.5	5.5	4.3	6.5	3.7	4.9
Club Drugs	0.3	2.5	0.6	2.4	0.3	3.4	1.5	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.3	0.8	0.6
LSD, PCP or Mushrooms	1.6	2.6	1.8	2.4	1.0	4.1	2.1	1.0	3.0	2.3	2.1	1.0	3.1	2.2
Methamphetamine	0.3	1.5	0.6	1.2	0.3	2.0	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6
Cocaine or Crack Cocaine	0.3	1.0	0.3	1.0	0.3	1.3	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.5
Heroin	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
Prescription Depressants	1.9	1.3	1.3	2.0	1.8	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.6	1.8	1.1	1.2	1.6	1.5
Prescription Pain Relievers	1.7	3.6	3.2	2.2	2.7	3.3	2.7	1.6	1.8	1.9	1.5	1.6	1.8	1.7
Prescription Amphetamines	1.8	2.9	3.4	1.3	2.1	1.6	2.4	1.5	2.0	2.2	1.4	1.5	2.1	1.8
Over-the-Counter Drugs	1.8	2.9	3.0	1.8	2.2	3.2	2.4	1.7	2.0	2.2	1.6	1.6	2.2	1.9
Needle to Inject Illegal Drugs		1.9	1.5	2.4		2.0			0.6	0.5	0.6		0.6	
Delta-8 or Delta-10 THC		7.7	8.6	7.1		8.1			8.7	9.3	8.2		8.9	
Kratom		2.4	3.1	1.8		3.4			1.1	1.2	1.1		1.1	
Any illicit drug	17.7	25.6	26.6	17.3	19.9	24.0	21.8	15.1	24.0	23.3	17.2	15.1	24.4	20.2
Any illicit drug other than marijuana	9.7	13.9	13.5	10.4	10.9	12.6	11.8	10.5	9.4	11.0	8.7	10.1	9.7	9.9
Alcohol only	11.5	12.1	14.4	9.3	11.8	10.3	11.8	11.5	14.9	14.2	12.8	11.7	14.7	13.4
Alcohol or any illicit drug	28.9	36.8	40.5	26.3	31.4	34.0	33.0	26.4	38.7	37.3	29.8	26.7	38.9	33.5
Any illicit drug, but no alcohol	6.7	7.0	7.5	6.2	7.4	5.4	6.8	7.2	6.5	7.0	6.6	7.0	6.7	6.8

Note: The first 20 data rows show results for alcohol, cigarettes, and other drugs. The last five data rows show results for various combinations of drugs. For "Blacking Out," respondents were asked on how many occasions in their lifetime they woke up after a night of drinking and did not remember the things they did or the places they went. Ecstasy, Rohypnol, GHB and ketamine are provided as examples in the question about club drugs. The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 3. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported having used various substances in the past30 days, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
Alcohol	7.1	20.4	17.4	10.9	8.4	19.3	14.0	6.2	13.1	11.8	8.6	6.3	13.0	10.2
Binge Drinking	6.1	11.4	13.8	3.8	6.8	9.9	8.8	2.4	5.9	4.8	4.1	2.4	5.9	4.4
Cigarettes	1.5	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.6	0.0	1.4	0.7	1.4	0.9	1.2	0.7	1.4	1.1
Vaping Nicotine	8.4	7.8	10.1	5.6	8.2	6.0	8.1	3.7	8.7	8.4	4.9	3.9	8.9	6.6
Vaping Marijuana	6.5	6.8	7.8	5.0	5.0	6.5	6.6	2.2	7.8	6.3	4.7	2.4	8.0	5.5
Marijuana or Hashish	7.1	11.1	10.6	8.0	7.7	9.7	9.2	2.4	9.1	7.1	5.6	2.7	9.1	6.3
Synthetic Marijuana		0.4	0.7	0.0		0.5			0.7	0.8	0.6		0.7	
Inhalants	2.0	1.8	3.1	0.7	1.9	0.5	1.9	2.5	0.9	1.9	1.2	2.3	1.0	1.6
Club Drugs	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
LSD, PCP or Mushrooms	0.9	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.7	0.5
Methamphetamine	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
Cocaine or Crack Cocaine	0.6	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Heroin	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Prescription Depressants	1.3	0.3	0.9	0.7	1.5	0.0	0.8	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4
Prescription Pain Relievers	0.8	2.9	2.5	1.2	1.7	2.5	1.8	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.6
Prescription Amphetamines	0.6	2.9	3.6	0.0	1.2	1.0	1.8	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
Over-the-Counter Drugs	0.5	2.0	1.6	0.9	1.0	1.7	1.2	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7
Any illicit drug	11.4	16.9	17.8	10.4	13.5	13.1	14.2	6.6	12.0	11.2	8.3	6.7	12.1	9.7
Any illicit drug other than marijuana	5.3	8.2	10.0	3.6	6.3	5.2	6.8	4.4	3.1	4.1	3.2	4.2	3.3	3.7
Alcohol only	3.7	12.7	11.5	5.1	4.7	10.1	8.2	4.1	7.4	6.9	5.2	4.1	7.4	6.0
Alcohol or any illicit drug	14.1	27.6	26.7	15.8	16.8	23.6	21.2	10.6	19.3	17.9	13.4	10.7	19.4	15.6
Any illicit drug, but no alcohol	7.7	9.1	11.0	5.4	9.2	5.4	8.4	4.5	6.4	6.2	4.9	4.5	6.6	5.6

Note: The first 17 data rows show results for alcohol, cigarettes, and other drugs. The last five data rows show results for various combinations of drugs. Binge drinking is defined as having had five or more alcoholic drinks in a row in the past two weeks. Ecstasy, Rohypnol, GHB and ketamine are provided as examples in the question about club drugs. The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

		2014			2016			2018			2020			2022			2024	
	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School		Total	Middle School	High School	Total									
Alcohol	25.9	46.6	36.6	18.5	42.1	31.0	18.9	26.1	22.7	23.9	24.7	24.3	21.1	33.0	27.3	22.4	30.6	26.7
Blacking Out		15.5			14.1			7.9			10.6			12.9			8.1	
Cigarettes	15.6	32.9	24.5	8.5	13.5	11.1	7.9	8.3	8.1	8.4	7.2	7.8	7.8	10.9	9.4	8.7	6.5	7.6
Vaping Nicotine										9.9	11.7	10.8	9.1	11.3	10.2	16.1	16.2	16.1
Vaping Marijuana										6.3	11.1	8.7	4.4	11.4	8.1	9.5	15.8	12.8
Marijuana or Hashish	12.2	31.2	21.9	8.3	28.5	18.7	11.5	21.2	16.5	13.7	24.7	19.2	7.4	16.5	12.1	9.0	18.5	13.9
Synthetic Marijuana		5.2			4.6			1.0			3.8			0.7			2.7	
Inhalants	9.4	3.4	6.3	6.4	5.8	6.1	9.2	5.6	7.4	6.4	3.1	4.8	5.2	2.9	4.0	4.2	4.8	4.5
Club Drugs	1.6	1.1	1.4	1.0	1.8	1.4	1.6	0.0	0.8	0.5	1.8	1.2	0.0	0.9	0.5	0.3	2.5	1.5
LSD, PCP or Mushrooms	1.3	1.8	1.5	0.7	2.4	1.6	0.9	1.8	1.4	1.8	3.9	2.8	2.3	2.2	2.2	1.6	2.6	2.1
Methamphetamine	1.8	1.5	1.7	1.4	1.7	1.6	2.8	0.4	1.5	1.9	2.1	2.0	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.3	1.5	0.9
Cocaine or Crack	2.3	1.3	1.8	0.9	1.8	1.3	3.0	1.4	2.2	1.8	1.8	1.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.6
Heroin	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.0	1.6	0.8	1.4	1.1	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1
Prescription Depressants	2.4	1.2	1.8	0.8	3.4	2.1	3.9	1.6	2.7	1.6	3.8	2.7	1.4	0.9	1.1	1.9	1.3	1.6
Prescription Pain Relievers	3.2	4.1	3.7	1.8	3.4	2.6	3.2	3.6	3.4	3.9	2.2	3.1	3.3	1.6	2.5	1.7	3.6	2.7
Prescription Amphetamines	1.3	1.5	1.4	0.5	1.3	0.9	0.2	1.8	1.0	2.7	1.2	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	2.9	2.4
Over-the-Counter Drugs	4.9	4.8	4.8	3.4	5.7	4.6	3.1	4.1	3.6	2.2	1.9	2.0	3.6	1.1	2.3	1.8	2.9	2.4
Needle to Inject Drugs					2.2			1.7			2.1			2.0			1.9	
Delta-8 or Delta-10 THC																	7.7	
Kratom																	2.4	
Any illicit drug	21.8	33.8	28.0	16.5	33.1	25.1	19.2	29.3	24.5	22.2	30.5	26.3	17.1	24.7	21.0	17.7	25.6	21.8
Any illicit drug other than marijuana	15.7	10.2	12.8	11.9	11.2	11.6	14.2	13.0	13.6	12.8	9.8	11.3	11.5	7.0	9.2	9.7	13.9	11.8
Alcohol only	11.3	18.0	14.8	11.5	16.7	14.3	8.5	10.7	9.7	11.9	9.8	10.9	14.0	11.5	12.7	11.5	12.1	11.8
Alcohol or any illicit drug	32.7	51.4	42.4	27.0	50.3	39.1	27.2	39.4	33.5	33.9	39.6	36.8	31.4	37.7	34.7	28.9	36.8	33.0
Any illicit drug, but no alcohol	7.1	5.3	6.2	8.1	8.8	8.4	8.6	12.6	10.7	10.7	15.9	13.3	10.4	5.2	7.7	6.7	7.0	6.8

Table 4. Lifetime trend in substance use for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

Note: The first 20 data rows show results for alcohol, cigarettes, and other drugs. The last five data rows show results for various combinations of drugs. For "Blacking Out," respondents were asked on how many occasions in their lifetime they woke up after a night of drinking and did not remember the things they did or the places they went. Ecstasy, Rohypnol, GHB and ketamine are provided as examples in the question about club drugs. In 2024, the wording of the prescription pain reliver use items was changed to include drug names that are prescribed more frequently. The symbol "---" indicates that data are not available.

		2014			2016			2018			2020			2022			2024	
	Middle School	0	Total	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School		Total	Middle School	0	Total	Middle School		Total
Alcohol	14.1	23.3	18.8	6.9	19.1	13.3	9.9	10.5	10.2	5.8	9.6	7.7	4.7	8.0	6.4	7.1	20.4	14.0
Binge Drinking	8.8	13.3	11.1	3.6	12.6	8.3	5.6	9.0	7.4	5.6	7.1	6.3	3.2	9.5	6.4	6.1	11.4	8.8
Cigarettes	3.1	10.1	6.7	1.5	3.6	2.6	1.8	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.0	0.0	5.3	2.7	1.5	1.4	1.4
Vaping Nicotine										2.3	6.4	4.4	3.5	9.2	6.6	8.4	7.8	8.1
Vaping Marijuana										2.3	3.8	3.1	2.9	5.6	4.3	6.5	6.8	6.6
Marijuana or Hashish	6.1	16.1	11.2	3.6	17.6	10.7	8.8	11.2	10.0	5.5	11.5	8.5	4.8	12.8	9.0	7.1	11.1	9.2
Synthetic Marijuana		1.1			1.7			0.5			2.7			2.8			0.4	
Inhalants	4.7	1.2	2.9	2.9	2.3	2.6	4.6	2.2	3.4	2.8	2.6	2.7	1.2	0.0	0.5	2.0	1.8	1.9
Club Drugs	1.0	0.4	0.7	0.5	0.6	0.6	1.2	0.0	0.6	0.2	1.6	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4	0.4
LSD, PCP or Mushrooms	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.2	0.8	0.5	1.0	0.5	0.7	1.8	3.1	2.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.9	0.0	0.5
Methamphetamine	1.2	0.4	0.8	1.1	0.3	0.6	1.2	0.0	0.6	1.9	2.0	1.9	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.4	0.4
Cocaine or Crack	1.1	0.4	0.7	0.5	1.1	0.8	1.2	0.0	0.6	0.6	1.5	1.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.3
Heroin	1.1	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prescription Depressants	1.1	0.4	0.7	0.3	1.4	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.6	1.8	1.2	1.5	0.0	0.7	1.3	0.3	0.8
Prescription Pain Relievers	2.0	2.5	2.3	1.0	3.1	2.1	1.2	1.8	1.5	0.8	1.8	1.3	2.3	1.2	1.7	0.8	2.9	1.8
Prescription Amphetamines	0.5	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.0	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.5	0.7	1.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6	2.9	1.8
Over-the-Counter Drugs	2.9	3.1	3.0	2.1	3.9	3.1	2.4	1.2	1.8	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.8	2.0	1.9	0.5	2.0	1.2
Any illicit drug	12.7	18.5	15.7	7.8	22.0	15.1	12.6	14.7	13.6	11.0	17.4	14.1	9.2	18.3	14.0	11.4	16.9	14.2
Any illicit drug other than marijuana	8.9	6.1	7.5	6.1	7.4	6.8	7.3	6.1	6.7	7.4	8.1	7.8	5.2	3.4	4.2	5.3	8.2	6.8
Alcohol only	6.7	12.0	9.4	3.6	8.2	6.0	3.7	6.1	4.9	3.8	4.9	4.4	3.5	3.9	3.7	3.7	12.7	8.2
Alcohol or any illicit drug	20.1	30.7	25.6	10.9	30.2	20.9	16.1	19.8	18.0	14.7	21.9	18.3	11.5	20.7	16.3	14.1	27.6	21.2
Any illicit drug, but no alcohol	6.6	7.4	7.0	4.3	12.3	8.5	7.1	9.7	8.4	8.8	12.2	10.5	7.6	13.7	10.8	7.7	9.1	8.4

Table 5. Past-30-day trends in substance use for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

Note: The first 18 data rows show results for alcohol, cigarettes, and other drugs. The last five data rows show results for various combinations of drugs. Binge drinking is defined as having had five or more alcoholic drinks in a row in the past two weeks. Ecstasy, Rohypnol, GHB and ketamine are provided as examples in the question about club drugs. In 2020, the vaping/e-cigarette item was replaced with separate questions about vaping nicotine and vaping marijuana. In 2024, the wording of the prescription pain reliver use items was changed to include drug names that are prescribed more frequently. The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 6. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported early substance use and perceived risk ofharm, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10 - 14	Ages 15-17	Total
Early substance use														
More than a sip of alcohol		14.4	18.5	9.9		13.0			13.2	14.3	12.1		13.3	
Drinking at least once a month		3.4	4.8	1.9		3.7			2.0	2.3	1.7		2.0	
Smoke cigarettes		5.7	6.2	5.3		6.0			4.3	4.7	3.9		4.6	
Smoke marijuana		11.2	11.3	10.5		11.9			5.1	5.8	4.4		5.1	
Vape nicotine		10.1	11.9	8.3		8.2			8.4	10.7	6.2		8.5	
Vape marijuana		5.6	5.8	5.3		4.6			4.3	5.1	3.5		4.4	
Great risk of harm														
1 or 2 drinks nearly every day	37.2	39.1	36.4	40.5	39.2	37.9	38.2	51.3	48.5	51.8	47.6	51.1	48.4	49.7
5+ drinks once or twice a week	40.8	43.5	44.4	40.5	42.9	42.3	42.3	61.6	57.3	60.8	57.5	61.7	57.3	59.1
1+ packs of cigarettes per day	48.0	49.7	52.1	46.4	49.2	47.7	48.9	64.2	65.0	65.8	63.6	64.6	65.1	64.7
Vaping nicotine	35.2	29.5	31.9	32.8	36.6	28.2	32.2	54.6	47.1	49.5	51.1	54.2	47.0	50.3
Vaping marijuana	35.2	28.6	31.9	31.9	36.2	26.7	31.7	56.2	42.5	48.0	48.6	55.5	42.3	48.2
Marijuana once or twice a week	31.0	19.3	22.2	27.7	31.2	18.7	24.8	48.7	31.9	38.9	39.2	47.6	32.1	39.0
Try marijuana once or twice	26.0	16.9	19.2	23.4	25.5	17.1	21.2	34.8	22.9	27.3	28.6	33.9	23.0	27.9
Use prescription drugs	49.9	57.1	59.3	48.3	51.9	54.1	53.7	67.0	67.7	69.3	65.6	67.3	67.7	67.4

Note: Early substance use is defined as the percentage of high school students who started using at age 13 or younger. The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

		2014			2016			2018			2020			2022			2024	
	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School	0	Total	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School	High School	Total
Early substance use																		
Try alcohol		24.0			23.0			14.5			10.2			16.8			14.4	
Drink monthly		6.9			6.8			2.6			3.0			1.0			3.4	
Smoke cigarettes		19.3			9.3			9.1			5.2			6.3			5.7	
Smoke marijuana		13.0			12.8			12.2			9.3			7.0			11.2	
Vape nicotine											3.5			4.2			10.1	
Vape marijuana											2.8			2.4			5.6	
Great risk of harm																		
Daily alcohol use	42.7	37.1	39.8	34.1	35.1	34.6	42.9	34.7	38.7	41.2	37.2	39.2	44.5	37.2	40.7	37.2	39.1	38.2
5+ drinks daily	48.8	43.6	46.1	46.0	42.8	44.3	51.5	41.9	46.5	49.5	45.3	47.4	49.6	46.5	48.0	40.8	43.5	42.3
Daily cigarette use	54.4	56.6	55.6	46.4	58.2	52.6	48.3	48.3	48.3	51.9	49.7	50.8	50.3	53.0	51.7	48.0	49.7	48.9
Vaping nicotine										45.8	41.5	43.6	47.8	38.5	42.8	35.2	29.5	32.2
Vaping marijuana										45.5	35.8	40.6	47.2	37.5	42.0	35.2	28.6	31.7
Marijuana weekly	40.9	25.7	33.0	38.2	25.2	31.4	38.1	19.2	28.4	38.6	22.3	30.5	33.3	21.9	27.3	31.0	19.3	24.8
Try marijuana	32.7	21.1	26.6	30.1	20.6	25.1	28.7	16.8	22.6	34.2	20.6	27.4	31.9	21.6	26.5	26.0	16.9	21.2
Prescription drugs	58.7	57.8	58.2	51.5	55.9	53.8	53.2	54.5	53.9	57.1	53.2	55.2	57.8	51.1	54.2	49.9	57.1	53.7

Table 7. Trends in early substance use and perceived risk of harm for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

Note: Early substance use is defined as the percentage of high school students who started using at age 13 or younger. The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 8. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported personal disapproval, peer disapproval, and parent disapproval of substance use, 2024

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			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10 - 14	Ages 15-17	Total
Think it would be wrong to														
Smoke cigarettes	90.9	92.0	91.0	91.8	90.8	93.3	91.5	97.0	92.7	94.3	94.8	96.8	93.1	94.5
Drink alcohol regularly	83.4	77.0	75.3	84.7	83.0	75.3	79.9	91.4	78.3	82.6	85.0	90.8	78.5	83.8
Smoke marijuana	84.9	74.7	77.9	80.6	84.9	72.4	79.3	93.7	79.0	84.6	85.8	93.2	79.1	85.2
Vape nicotine	83.2	83.2	81.1	85.4	83.3	83.8	83.2	93.8	87.2	88.3	91.6	93.4	87.5	90.0
Vape marijuana	86.2	83.2	84.0	85.2	86.0	82.6	84.5	94.7	83.7	87.2	89.4	94.1	84.0	88.3
Use other illicit drugs	95.0	97.5	96.5	96.2	95.0	97.2	96.4	98.2	96.9	97.8	97.1	98.2	96.9	97.4
Friends think it would be wrong to														
1 or 2 drinks nearly every day	86.7	86.7	85.7	87.6	85.4	87.8	86.7	93.5	88.7	91.3	90.2	93.2	88.7	90.7
Smoke tobacco	90.7	92.2	88.3	94.9	88.6	94.4	91.5	95.6	91.4	93.2	93.1	95.5	91.2	93.1
Smoke marijuana	82.6	72.6	71.8	83.0	80.3	72.9	77.3	92.9	77.6	83.5	84.7	92.3	77.3	84.1
Vape nicotine	83.1	84.2	80.8	86.7	81.8	86.6	83.7	91.5	83.5	84.7	89.0	91.2	83.4	86.9
Vape marijuana	87.0	77.7	78.5	85.7	84.2	80.3	82.0	93.2	81.1	84.8	87.5	92.6	80.9	86.2
Use prescription drugs	93.6	93.7	92.7	94.5	91.9	94.4	93.6	96.6	95.1	96.0	95.5	96.6	94.7	95.7
Parents think it would be wrong to														
Daily alcohol use	96.6	93.2	91.9	97.9	96.3	93.8	95.0	97.8	95.8	96.8	96.5	97.8	95.9	96.7
Smoke cigarettes	98.0	97.2	96.7	98.5	98.5	95.7	97.6	98.9	98.3	98.5	98.6	98.9	98.4	98.6
Smoke marijuana	95.8	90.1	92.1	93.8	95.8	89.2	93.1	97.4	92.0	94.0	94.6	97.5	92.0	94.3
Use prescription drugs	97.5	96.0	95.4	98.1	98.1	93.9	96.8	98.4	97.9	97.9	98.3	98.5	97.8	98.1

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Table 9. Trends in personal disapproval, peer disapproval, and parent disapproval of substance use for Gadsden County, 2014

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		2014			2016			2018			2020			2022			2024	
	Middle School	0	Total	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School	High School	Total	Middle School		Total	Middle School	High School	Total
Think it wrong																		
Smoke cigarettes	92.5	82.0	87.0	95.5	87.6	91.3	94.0	90.2	92.0	94.8	95.2	95.0	93.0	89.0	90.9	90.9	92.0	91.5
Drink regularly	85.4	61.2	72.6	89.9	69.5	79.1	85.6	69.7	77.4	87.0	78.4	82.5	83.6	69.0	75.8	83.4	77.0	79.9
Smoke marijuana	84.4	63.3	73.3	89.6	61.4	74.6	84.5	67.6	75.9	83.7	72.2	77.7	87.1	67.4	76.5	84.9	74.7	79.3
Vape nicotine										93.5	88.6	91.0	88.9	80.7	84.5	83.2	83.2	83.2
Vape marijuana										92.8	85.0	88.7	90.8	80.4	85.2	86.2	83.2	84.5
Other illicit drugs	96.9	94.4	95.6	97.9	92.6	95.1	96.3	96.8	96.5	97.4	96.4	96.9	96.1	89.2	92.4	95.0	97.5	96.4
Friends think it wrong																		
Daily alcohol use	84.9	79.7	82.2	90.5	78.8	84.3	88.8	81.1	84.9	90.2	87.0	88.6	89.7	85.7	87.6	86.7	86.7	86.7
Smoke tobacco	89.9	82.2	85.9	95.3	90.0	92.5	95.7	91.4	93.5	95.6	92.7	94.1	92.1	91.3	91.7	90.7	92.2	91.5
Smoke marijuana	80.6	63.6	71.7	89.8	64.3	76.3	85.4	62.9	73.9	85.0	71.1	78.0	83.8	71.6	77.5	82.6	72.6	77.3
Vape nicotine										93.8	90.4	92.1	87.4	80.4	83.8	83.1	84.2	83.7
Vape marijuana										92.9	85.8	89.4	89.1	80.7	84.7	87.0	77.7	82.0
Use Prescription drugs	94.5	88.8	91.5	95.3	89.9	92.5	94.2	93.0	93.6	95.7	94.5	95.1	92.4	89.4	90.8	93.6	93.7	93.6
Parents think it wrong]								[
Daily alcohol use	94.0	94.0	94.0	97.4	93.3	95.2	95.0	95.5	95.3	96.1	94.3	95.2	93.4	94.7	94.1	96.6	93.2	95.0
Smoke tobacco	96.3	96.6	96.5	98.8	96.7	97.6	97.1	97.5	97.3	97.2	96.3	96.7	97.6	94.0	95.7	98.0	97.2	97.6
Smoke marijuana	93.8	89.6	91.7	95.9	89.8	92.7	93.2	88.1	90.6	92.1	86.6	89.5	95.0	89.2	91.9	95.8	90.1	93.1
Use prescription drugs	95.3	97.3	96.3	98.4	96.6	97.5	97.3	96.9	97.1	96.0	96.0	96.0	95.4	94.6	94.9	97.5	96.0	96.8

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Table 10. Among <u>high school</u> drinkers, usual source of alcohol within the past 30 days, Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
Bought in a store		5.3	7.9	0.0		5.3			13.4	10.1	17.7		13.4	
Bought in a restaurant, bar, or club		6.4	9.6	0.0		6.4			3.2	3.5	2.8		3.2	
Bought at a public event		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			1.2	0.6	1.9		1.2	
Someone bought it for me		9.4	14.0	0.0		9.4			7.1	7.0	7.3		7.1	
Someone gave it to me		48.2	44.5	55.8		48.2			41.1	43.9	37.3		41.1	
Took it from a store		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			2.1	1.3	3.1		2.1	
Took it from a family member		11.6	13.5	7.8		11.6			12.8	15.2	9.5		12.8	
Some other way		19.0	10.5	36.3		19.0			19.2	18.4	20.2		19.2	

Note: The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 11. Among <u>high school</u> drinkers, usual drinking location within the past 30 days, Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10 - 14	Ages 15-17	Total
My home		34.9	41.5	22.6		34.9			43.3	44.6	41.3		43.3	
Another person's home		35.1	22.4	58.8		35.1			30.3	31.4	29.0		30.3	
Car or other vehicle		2.5	3.9	0.0		2.5			2.2	1.6	3.1		2.2	
Restaurant, bar, or club		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			5.6	5.3	6.1		5.6	
Public place		13.0	12.6	13.7		13.0			5.2	5.4	5.0		5.2	
Public event		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			2.9	2.6	3.4		2.9	
School property		4.1	6.3	0.0		4.1			1.5	0.9	2.3		1.5	
Some other place		10.3	13.3	4.9		10.3			9.0	8.3	9.9		9.0	

Note: The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 12. Among <u>high school</u> drinkers, number of drinks usually consumed per day, on the days students drank in the past 30 days, Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
1		38.7	48.0	22.7		38.7			33.2	34.8	30.9		33.2	
2		17.3	11.8	26.9		17.3			23.0	25.2	20.0		23.0	
3		16.3	8.7	29.4		16.3			17.8	17.8	17.6		17.8	
4		4.3	6.7	0.0		4.3			7.0	7.0	7.1		7.0	
5 or more		23.4	24.8	21.0		23.4			19.0	15.1	24.5		19.0	

Note: The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 13. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported drinking alcohol, smoking marijuana, or using another drug to get high <u>before or during school</u> in the past 12 months, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		_
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
Drinking alcohol	5.3	5.5	7.5	3.5	4.2	6.5	5.4	2.6	3.4	3.7	2.4	2.5	3.7	3.1
Smoking marijuana	6.9	10.2	9.8	7.4	6.5	11.6	8.4	3.1	7.9	6.8	5.0	3.2	8.5	5.9
Using another drug to get high	5.1	4.3	6.1	3.5	4.4	6.4	4.7	1.8	2.2	2.3	1.8	1.7	2.4	2.1

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Table 14. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported engaging in delinquent behavior within the past 12 months, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10 - 14	Ages 15-17	Total
Carrying a handgun	8.1	8.7	3.3	13.9	7.6	11.7	8.4	6.6	5.4	3.5	8.2	6.4	5.5	5.9
Selling drugs	3.4	5.5	1.9	7.0	2.8	8.0	4.4	1.0	2.0	1.1	2.0	1.0	2.1	1.6
Attempting to steal a vehicle	3.1	1.7	1.0	4.1	2.1	3.7	2.5	1.2	1.1	0.8	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.1
Being arrested	3.3	2.5	1.4	4.6	2.9	3.8	2.9	1.7	1.8	1.3	2.1	1.5	2.0	1.7
Taking a handgun to school	1.2	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.6	1.3	0.8	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.5
Getting suspended	36.3	26.0	29.9	34.4	36.2	29.1	31.5	16.9	10.9	11.2	15.8	15.8	11.9	13.5
Attacking someone with intent to harm	14.5	15.9	15.9	15.0	17.2	15.5	15.1	8.4	4.3	5.4	6.7	8.0	4.5	6.0

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		2014			2016			2018			2020			2022			2024	
	Middle School	High School		Middle School	High School	Total												
Carrying a handgun	5.1	7.2	6.2	4.8	8.4	6.6	9.2	9.4	9.3	7.4	8.7	8.0	14.1	5.9	9.7	8.1	8.7	8.4
Selling drugs	3.4	7.8	5.6	1.1	6.6	3.9	5.4	5.0	5.2	1.5	5.7	3.5	1.4	5.3	3.5	3.4	5.5	4.4
Attempting to steal a vehicle	1.9	3.7	2.8	0.9	5.0	3.0	5.3	2.7	4.0	1.9	3.7	2.8	1.9	3.0	2.5	3.1	1.7	2.5
Being arrested	3.5	1.5	2.5	2.1	3.9	3.0	6.0	6.8	6.4	2.6	9.0	5.7	2.1	2.2	2.1	3.3	2.5	2.9
Taking a handgun to school	1.9	1.5	1.7	0.4	4.2	2.3	3.1	4.5	3.8	1.8	3.5	2.6	0.0	3.0	1.6	1.2	0.4	0.8
Getting suspended	36.4	27.7	32.1	23.3	27.3	25.3	24.3	28.9	26.6	33.9	24.4	29.4	30.0	16.0	22.4	36.3	26.0	31.5
Attacking someone with intent to harm	15.2	14.6	14.9	8.9	11.6	10.3	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.6	9.2	11.0	16.6	14.5	15.4	14.5	15.9	15.1

Table 15. Trends in delinquent behaviors for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

Table 16. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported symptoms of depression, or suicidal

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			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
Symptoms of Depression														
Sometimes I think that life is not worth it	41.4	34.9	49.4	26.6	42.9	36.7	37.9	28.8	25.5	35.1	18.9	28.5	26.0	26.9
At times I think I am no good at all	46.3	45.1	53.2	38.9	48.0	47.3	45.7	42.2	37.1	48.5	30.2	41.8	37.2	39.3
All in all, I am inclined to think that I am a failure	30.0	24.6	32.3	22.3	29.3	24.9	27.1	29.6	25.1	33.4	20.7	29.3	25.3	27.0
In the past year, have you felt depressed or sad MOST days, even if you felt OK sometimes?	55.5	50.5	63.3	42.9	57.2	49.6	52.8	42.6	39.3	50.7	30.9	42.0	39.6	40.7
Suicide (past 12 months)														
Seriously considered attempting suicide	20.2	14.1	24.6	10.3	19.2	13.5	17.2	14.8	12.4	17.8	8.9	14.7	12.8	13.4
Made a suicide plan	18.0	12.3	21.3	9.5	18.5	13.2	15.2	12.3	9.8	14.2	7.5	12.2	10.2	10.9
Attempted suicide one or more times	16.8	6.4	16.5	7.4	15.3	9.5	11.8	9.3	5.8	10.1	4.4	8.8	6.3	7.3
Suicide attempt that required medical care	3.3	1.9	4.0	1.4	3.7	1.8	2.7	2.1	1.4	2.3	1.1	1.9	1.7	1.7

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			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10 - 14	Ages 15-17	Total
Skipped school because of bullying	10.0	6.2	10.7	5.2	10.1	5.1	7.9	10.0	8.6	13.7	4.7	9.6	8.9	9.2
Was ever kicked or shoved	30.6	24.5	32.1	22.3	32.9	21.2	27.2	46.6	27.4	36.6	34.3	45.0	27.6	35.5
Was ever taunted or teased	56.0	46.9	58.6	43.8	59.1	43.1	50.9	67.9	51.7	64.0	53.2	66.7	51.9	58.5
Was ever a victim of cyber bullying	26.7	27.4	36.7	17.6	28.8	23.4	27.1	29.6	28.6	36.7	21.6	29.4	29.0	29.0
Ever physically bullied others	29.0	21.2	24.8	25.0	31.7	21.0	24.7	24.1	12.6	15.9	18.9	22.9	13.2	17.5
Ever verbally bullied others	35.2	29.9	32.3	32.7	38.7	26.8	32.3	37.4	26.2	30.0	31.8	36.3	26.7	30.9
Ever cyber bullied others	18.6	14.2	19.0	13.6	20.1	13.4	16.2	14.6	12.5	14.6	12.2	14.4	12.8	13.4

Table 17. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported involvement in bullying behavior, 2024

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 Table 18. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide <u>high school</u> youth who reported adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty		r.			Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10 - 14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10 - 14	Ages 15-17	Total
Emotional abuse		14.6	22.3	6.1		14.1			13.3	17.8	8.8		13.6	
Physical abuse		13.5	12.6	15.5		14.4			8.9	10.6	7.2		9.1	
Sexual abuse		3.8	5.8	1.6		5.4			4.9	7.5	2.3		5.2	
Parents separated or divorced		44.4	55.1	33.1		40.4			38.7	41.5	36.0		39.2	
Physical abuse in household		10.2	7.4	14.3		11.1			6.9	8.6	5.2		7.1	
Substance abuse in household		22.3	19.2	27.7		21.7			22.8	26.3	19.3		23.5	
Mental illness in household		23.3	25.6	22.3		23.7			27.7	35.0	20.4		28.2	
Incarcerated household member		29.5	22.8	35.4		30.9			21.7	23.2	20.2		22.1	
Emotional neglect		33.3	40.7	26.9		30.4			25.1	30.4	19.7		25.5	
Physical neglect		8.8	11.9	5.6		10.7			6.2	7.2	5.3		6.4	

Note: The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

 Table 19. Number of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) reported by Gadsden County and Florida Statewide <u>high school</u> youth, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	ida State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
No ACEs reported		31.9	23.5	42.8		31.9			37.9	31.9	43.9		37.9	
1 ACE		20.8	24.6	12.3		20.8			20.6	20.2	21.1		20.6	
2 ACEs		16.9	19.8	14.6		16.9			13.4	13.9	13.0		13.4	
3 ACEs		6.3	6.1	7.0		6.3			10.0	11.2	8.9		10.0	
4 ACEs		12.2	12.7	12.4		12.2			7.0	8.4	5.5		7.0	
5 ACEs		2.2	2.9	1.6		2.2			4.4	5.4	3.4		4.4	
6 ACEs		3.3	5.5	0.7		3.3			2.8	3.6	2.0		2.8	
7 ACEs		5.3	4.1	7.1		5.3			1.9	2.7	1.1		1.9	
8 ACEs		0.7	0.0	1.5		0.7			1.1	1.5	0.6		1.1	
9 ACEs		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0			0.5	0.8	0.3		0.5	
10 ACEs		0.5	0.9	0.0		0.5			0.3	0.3	0.2		0.3	

Note: Each respondent receives an ACEs score, which is the number of adverse childhood experiences he or she reported. This table shows the frequency distribution of the ACEs score across the sample. Percentages total to 100% down each column. Rounding can produce totals that do not equal 100%. The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 20. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who "agree" or "strongly agree" with statements indicating impulsiveness or a lack of self-control, 2024

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			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10 - 14	Ages 15-17	Total
I often do what brings me pleasure now	42.6	43.2	46.5	39.0	43.4	42.6	42.9	30.7	28.0	31.4	27.0	30.4	28.0	29.2
I'm more concerned with the short run	38.7	44.1	51.7	31.0	39.1	41.7	41.5	27.7	23.1	27.2	22.9	27.4	23.2	25.1
Getting in trouble is exciting	32.7	24.9	28.8	28.1	34.0	28.1	28.8	26.9	25.3	26.7	25.2	26.6	25.7	26.0
Excitement is more important than security	28.0	24.7	24.6	27.2	27.2	30.1	26.3	26.5	23.4	23.6	25.8	26.0	23.8	24.7
People better stay away from me when I'm really angry	40.1	49.3	49.0	39.8	43.7	47.9	44.6	28.4	21.1	27.3	21.1	27.3	21.4	24.2
I get upset when I have a disagreement with someone	46.1	48.6	57.6	37.0	47.6	49.6	47.3	47.0	34.8	48.8	31.2	46.1	34.9	39.9

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Table 21. Percentages of Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth who reported participation in extracurricular activities, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
School Sports	57.6	48.3	50.3	54.7	57.2	42.1	52.4	38.2	38.2	35.6	40.9	38.4	38.4	38.2
Organized Sports Outside of School	28.5	15.3	15.9	26.9	27.2	15.6	21.1	43.6	25.7	29.5	37.0	42.0	25.9	33.3
School Band	15.4	5.1	8.3	10.5	13.5	6.0	9.6	16.7	8.1	11.7	11.7	15.8	8.1	11.7
School Club(s)	13.5	7.3	12.9	7.0	11.5	9.3	10.0	22.3	33.2	35.8	21.6	23.1	32.8	28.6
Community Club(s)	11.4	4.3	8.5	6.5	10.9	4.2	7.5	9.1	12.8	13.6	9.0	9.1	12.6	11.2

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Table 22. Percentages of <u>high school</u> students who reported *riding in* a vehicle within the past 30 days driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol or using marijuana, or *driving* a vehicle within the past 30 days after drinking alcohol or using marijuana, among Gadsden County and Florida Statewide youth, 2024

			Gad	sden Co	unty					Flori	da State	wide		
	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total	Middle School	High School	Female	Male	Ages 10-14	Ages 15-17	Total
Riding in a vehicle]
Alcohol		22.0	23.9	19.5		19.3			12.4	14.1	10.7		12.5	
Marijuana		23.8	29.1	18.1		24.8			14.8	16.7	13.0		14.8	
Driving a vehicle														
Alcohol		6.7	10.2	2.9		6.9			2.4	2.1	2.8		2.3]
Marijuana		9.1	6.8	12.1		9.5			4.4	4.5	4.3		4.3	

Note: The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 23. Trends for <u>high school</u> students *riding in* a vehicle within the past 30 days driven by someone who had been drinking alcohol or using marijuana, or *driving* a vehicle within the past 30 days after drinking alcohol or using marijuana, for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

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		2014	_		2016			2018		2020		2022		2024	
	Middle School	0	Total	Middle School	0	Total	Middle School	0	Middle School	0	Middle School	High School	Middle School	High School	Total
Riding in a vehicle															
Alcohol		26.8			24.4			22.6	 	21.9	 	17.3	 	22.0	
Marijuana		31.0			31.3			30.8	 	31.2	 	22.2	 	23.8	
Driving a vehicle	1														
Alcohol		8.8			8.7			6.7	 	6.9	 	3.8	 	6.7	
Marijuana		16.5			18.5			14.4	 	13.8	 	6.0	 	9.1	

Note: The symbol "--" indicates that data are not available.

Table 24. Protective factor prevalence rates for Gadsden County, Florida Statewide youth, and the national normativedatabase, 2024

Domain	Scale	Gadsder	o County	Florida S	Statewide	Nationa	l Norms
		Middle	High	Middle	High	Middle	High
		School	School	School	School	School	School
Family	Family Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement	43	55	55	58	59	54
ганну	Family Rewards for Prosocial Involvement	42	47	49	52	54	55
School	School Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement	47	60	49	62	57	60
School	School Rewards for Prosocial Involvement	44	61	45	57	53	58
Peer and Individual	Religiosity	38	56	43	54	56	62
Average Prevalence R	ate	43	56	48	57	53	58

Note: Because risk is associated with negative behavioral outcomes, it is better to have lower risk factor scale scores, not higher. Conversely, because protective factors are associated with better student behavioral outcomes, it is better to have protective factor scale scores with high values.

Table 25. Risk factor prevalence rates for Gadsden County, Florida Statewide youth, and the national normative database,2024

Domain	Scale	Gadsden County		Florida Statewide		National Norms	
		Middle School	High School	Middle School	High School	Middle School	High School
Community	Laws and Norms Favorable to Drug Use	53	36	40	25	42	42
	Perceived Availability of Drugs	31	16	30	13	45	45
	Perceived Availability of Handguns	25	33	24	29	25	42
Family	Poor Family Management	67	52	47	35	44	45
	Family Conflict	36	34	40	30	42	37
School	Poor Academic Performance	52	37	45	45	45	48
	Lack of Commitment to School	72	59	76	68	47	46
Peer and Individual	Favorable Attitudes toward Antisocial Behavior	54	37	54	38	40	46
	Favorable Attitudes toward ATOD Use	41	28	27	22	39	45
	Early Initiation of Drug Use	29	14	19	11	41	46
Average Prevalence Rate		46	35	40	32	41	44

Note: Because risk is associated with negative behavioral outcomes, it is better to have lower risk factor scale scores, not higher. Conversely, because protective factors are associated with better student behavioral outcomes, it is better to have protective factor scale scores with high values.

Gadsden County Domain Scale Family Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement Family Family Rewards for Prosocial Involvement School Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement School School Rewards for Prosocial Involvement Peer and Individual Religiosity **Average Prevalence Rate**

Table 26. Protective factor prevalence rate trends among middle school students for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

Note: Because risk is associated with negative behavioral outcomes, it is better to have lower risk factor scale scores, not higher. Conversely, because protective factors are associated with better student behavioral outcomes, it is better to have protective factor scale scores with high values.

Domain Scale **Gadsden County** Laws and Norms Favorable to Drug Use Community Perceived Availability of Drugs Perceived Availability of Handguns Poor Family Management Family Family Conflict Poor Academic Performance School Lack of Commitment to School Favorable Attitudes toward Antisocial Behavior Peer and

Table 27. Risk factor prevalence rate trends among middle school students for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

Note: Because risk is associated with negative behavioral outcomes, it is better to have lower risk factor scale scores, not higher. Conversely, because protective factors are associated with better student behavioral outcomes, it is better to have protective factor scale scores with high values.

Favorable Attitudes toward ATOD Use

Early Initiation of Drug Use

Individual

Average Prevalence Rate

Gadsden County Domain Scale Family Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement Family Family Rewards for Prosocial Involvement School Opportunities for Prosocial Involvement School School Rewards for Prosocial Involvement Peer and Individual Religiosity **Average Prevalence Rate**

Table 28. Protective factor prevalence rate trends among high school students for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

Note: Because risk is associated with negative behavioral outcomes, it is better to have lower risk factor scale scores, not higher. Conversely, because protective factors are associated with better student behavioral outcomes, it is better to have protective factor scale scores with high values.

Domain	Scale	Gadsden County						
		2014	2016	2018	2020	2022	2024	
Community	Laws and Norms Favorable to Drug Use	30	33	33	29	34	36	
	Perceived Availability of Drugs	24	22	12	11	12	16	
	Perceived Availability of Handguns	32	38	29	26	37	33	
Family	Poor Family Management	52	53	55	51	45	52	
	Family Conflict	27	31	28	25	30	34	
School	Poor Academic Performance	50	47	41	44	51	37	
	Lack of Commitment to School	44	42	45	52	62	59	
Peer and Individual	Favorable Attitudes toward Antisocial Behavior	34	37	30	24	41	37	
	Favorable Attitudes toward ATOD Use	37	37	35	22	28	28	
	Early Initiation of Drug Use	32	28	18	11	14	14	
Average Prevalence Rate		36	37	33	30	35	35	

Table 29. Risk factor prevalence rate trends among high school students for Gadsden County, 2014 to 2024

Note: Because risk is associated with negative behavioral outcomes, it is better to have lower risk factor scale scores, not higher. Conversely, because protective factors are associated with better student behavioral outcomes, it is better to have protective factor scale scores with high values.